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SUBJECT: TRIGA-FLIP FUEL CLUSTERS FOR TSING HUA REACTOR

REF: JAN 20, 1975 LETTER CHEN-HWA CHENG TO A.S. FRIEDMAN

1. DURING RECENT TRIP TAIWAN SCIREP REQUESTED BY VICTOR CHENG TO CHECK ON LONG STANDING CAEC REQUEST FOR FOUR (4) LONG LIFE (FLIP) FUEL ELEMENTS FOR THE TSING HUA SWIMMING POOL REACTOR. INTENT IS TO PURCHASE FOUR (4) ELEMENTS PER YEAR FOR ABOUT SEVEN (7) YEARS TO UPGRADE REACTOR. MACHINE PREVIOUSLY FUELED WITH MTR-TYPE ELEMENTS.

2. BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS SUCH THAT CAEC CANNOT FUND MORE THAN ABOUT US DOLS 70K PER YER, SO REQUEST LIMITED. PLAN IS TO PURCHASE FOUR BURNABLE POSION, LONG LIFE ELEMENTS PER YEAR FOR SEVEN YEARS AND REPLACE ENTIRE TWENTY-EIGHT ELEMENT CORE. EXPECT IT TO LAST TEN YEARS.

3. IN ADDITION TO FUEL COST, CAEC PLANS EXPENDITURE ANOTHER US DOLS 200K TO CONVERT REACTOR TO TRIGA. IF EXPORT PROBLEM EXISTS ON FUEL, PLEASE INDICATE SO THAT CAEC CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY.
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